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Re: U.S. Utility Patent Application  
Application No. 09/705,940; Filed: November 6, 2000  
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Inventors: Fike *et al.*  
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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for appropriate action are the following documents:

1. Fee Transmittal Form (PTO SB/17);
2. Petition for Extension of Time Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)(1);
3. Amendment and Reply Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.111;
4. Credit Card Payment Form (PTO-2038) in the amount of **\$110.00** to cover the extension of time fee; and
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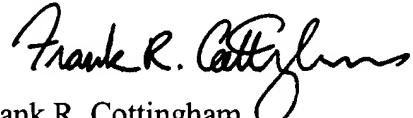
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